Applicati n No. Applicant(s) 09/764,033 ADDINK ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Patrick J. Lee 2878 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to <u>Amendment filed 8/15/2003</u>. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-14. 3. The drawings filed on 16 January 2001 are accepted by the Examiner. 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🔲 All b) Some* c) None of the: 1.

Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: 5. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application). (a) The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received. 6. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121. Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 7. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 8. CORRECTED DRAWINGS must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No. (b) including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed _____, which has been approved by the Examiner. (c) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No. Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. 9. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1⊠ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2 Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 3 Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 4☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No.____. 5☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449), Paper No. ____. 6 Examiner's Amendment/Comment 7 Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8 Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material 9☐ Other

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DETAILED ACTION

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. Claims 1-14 are allowable over the prior art.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With respect to claim 1, Brown 5,978,738 discloses a severe weather detector and alarm system comprising a microprocessor (100), a storage device (102), a temperature sensor (56), a light sensor (62), a speaker (20), and an emergency indicator (48). The microprocessor (100) compares collected data and compares to known conditions from the memory (102) and sends an alarm if the predetermined threshold values are met for severe weather conditions. Brown does not disclose nor suggest that the warning signal be sent to indicate a failure of the weather-measuring device. As a result, independent claim 1 and dependent claims 2-14 are allowable over the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Jones et al 6,542,825 B2 and Brown 6,597,990 B2 disclose severe weather detection devices.

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4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Patrick J. Lee whose telephone number is (703) 305-

3871. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to

5:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, David P. Porta can be reached on (703) 308-4852. The fax phone number

for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or

proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-

1782.

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